





Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Commission 05.27.2020



### Agenda

- 1. April minutes
- 2. City Updates
  - a. Planning
  - b. BPD
  - c. DOT
  - d. Rec & Parks
  - e. Mayor's Office
- 3. Community Updates
  - a. Bike Shop Updates
  - Other updates from community commissioners and attendees
- 4. Committee Updates
  - a. Events for May
  - b. Awards
- 5. Miscellaneous Business
  - a. Next meeting June 24<sup>th</sup>

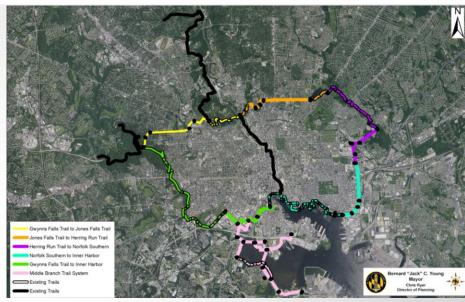




### **Updates: Planning**

### **Baltimore Greenway Trail Network:**

- 30% design for the BGE corridor
- Collective at Canton has starting laying concrete for the loop/trail between Boston
   Street and development's new grocery store



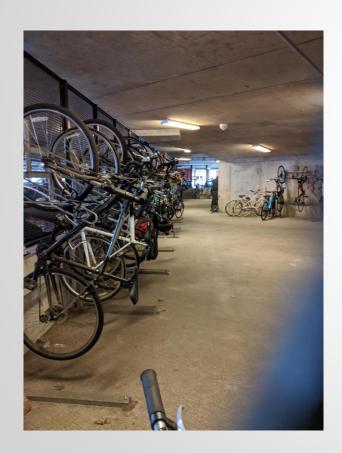




## **Updates: Planning**

## **Updates:**

Bike Parking Zoning Update







### **Updates: BPD**

## **Updates:**

Nothing to report





### **Dockless: COVID Updates**

Considered Essential: each employee and vehicle given letters

Most requirements paused and response time extended to 6 hours

**Operational:** Spin and Lime

**Paused:** JUMP (acquired by Lime, approved pause through June 7<sup>th</sup>)

#### What we've asked:

Deploy at food sites

Deploy at healthcare sites

Deploy when there is a disruption in transit

#### What has been additionally offered:

Free rides for anyone employed at a hospital: janitors through doctors— all staff

Spin: Everyday Heroes

· Lime: Lime Aid

#### **Evaluation:**

Proposal to amend Rules and Regulations released for public comment May 5- June 5.

Evaluation report to be released this week



### **Dockless: COVID Updates**

### **BCDOT** released a proposed Rules & Regulation Addendum

- ➤ Governor's Executive Order extends permits for 30 days after State of Emergency
  - > BCDOT proposes extending current permits for 90 days:
    - State of Emergency lifted
    - BCDOT Releases final Rules & Regulation for 30 days of Public Comment
    - BCDOT Releases Final Rules & Regulations and Public Comment Report
    - Permit Application Opens
    - Permits are awarded 60 days after State of Emergency is lifted
    - New Permits become active 90 days after State of Emergency is lifted

### Public Comment May 5- June 5

- Email dot-community@baltimorecity.gov
- Leave a message at (410)545-3212
- Send mail to: 417 E. Fayette, Room 559

Attn: Meg Young Baltimore, Md 21202

### **Annual Evaluation Report**

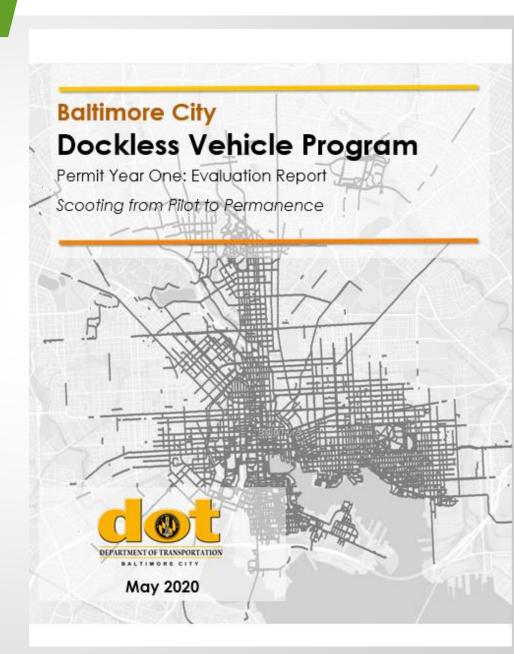
#### **Report Sections**

- Data Analysis
- Community Input
- DOT support
- Recommendations

Appendix 1: Equity Zone Deep Dive

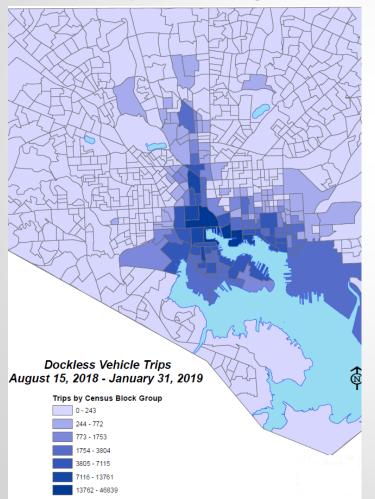
Appendix 2: 2020 User Survey Full Results

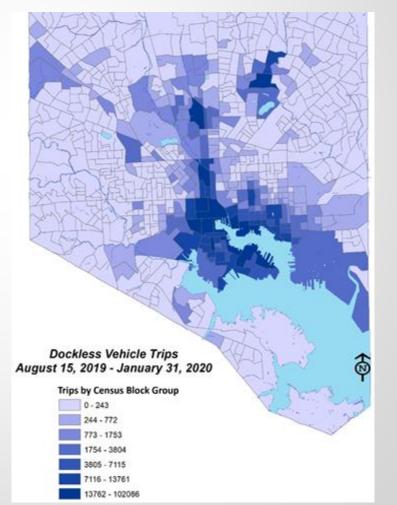
Appendix 3: COVID-19 Analysis



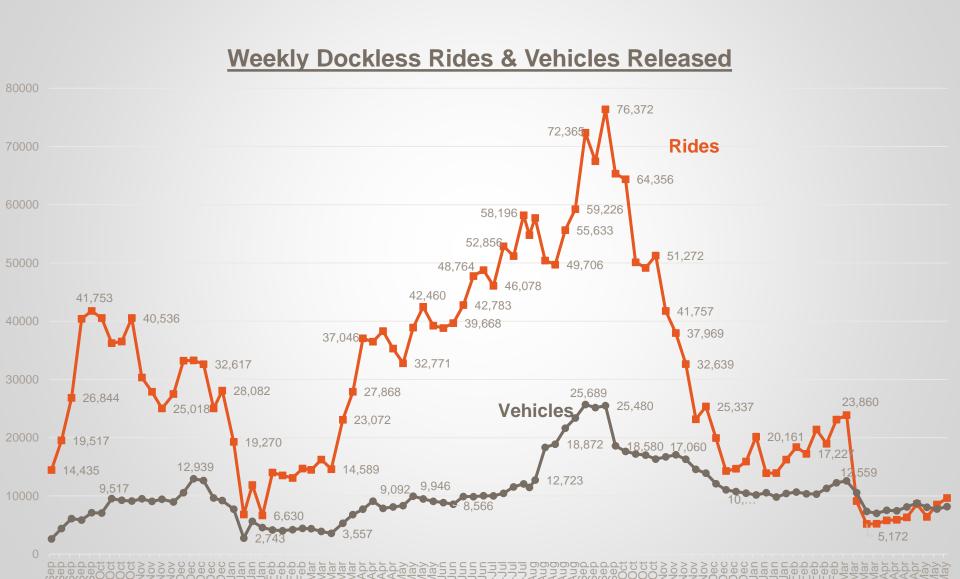
## **Data Analysis Section**

- Trip Data
- Monthly Reporting





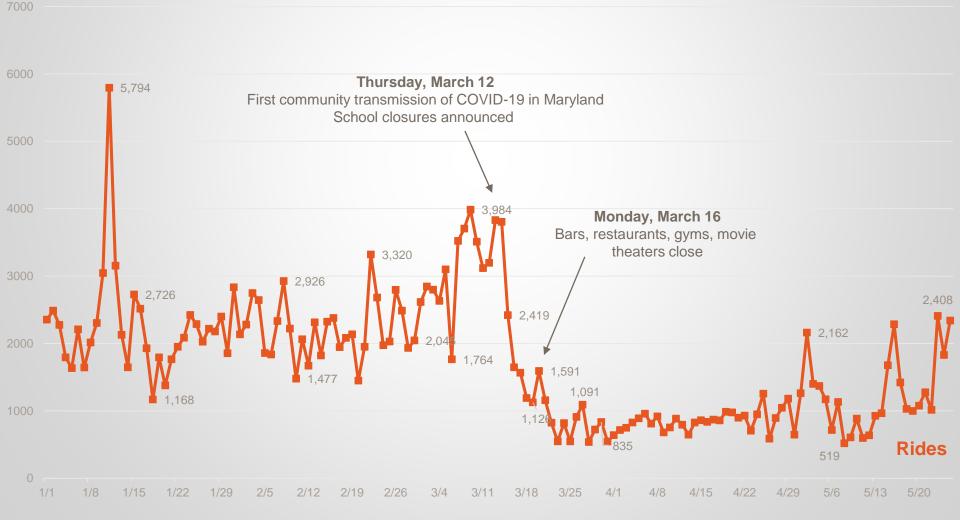




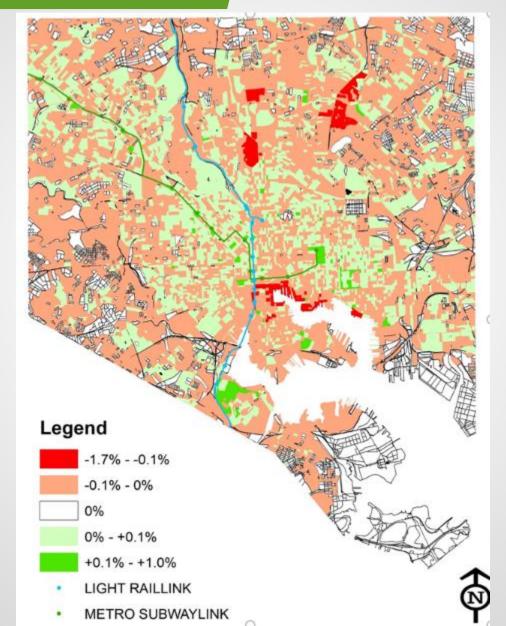


### **Daily Dockless Vehicles Rides**









## **BCDOT BIKE PROGRAM SUPPORT**





### **Presented by:**





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# **TONIGHT'S AGENDA**

- 1. Project Prioritization Update Status
- 2. Community Engagement Updates
- 3. Next Steps







## **PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA**

## **6 Step Prioritization Process**

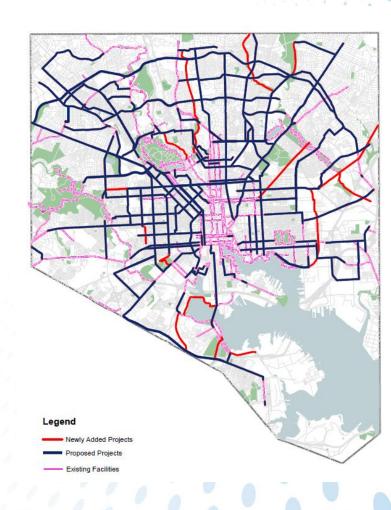
- 1. High Level Screening
- 2. Data Driven Prioritization
- 3. Consideration Based Prioritization
- 4. Facility Type Identification
- 5. High Level Cost Estimate
- 6. Short, Medium and Long Term Project Identification





## PRIORITIZATION UPDATE

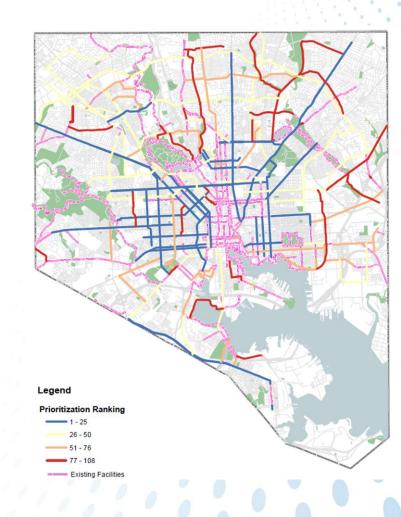
- Facility Type (FT) Evaluation
  - Initial assessments have been completed
  - Coordinating workshop with interested MBAC members
- High Level Cost Estimate
  - Using industry standards
  - 1 to 2 weeks following FT approval
- Short / Medium / Long Term Projects
  - May require more internal BCDOT coordination





# **Anticipated Schedule**

- Final Facility Type Approach
  - End of June
- High Level Cost Estimates per Project
  - Early July
- Updated Project Rankings
  - Early to Mid July
- Project Timeframes
  - Mid/End of August









# **Public Outreach & Engagement**

- Research has indicated that the bike program should:
  - 1. Educate the public about the value of safe biking, preferably at outreach events
  - 2. Broaden acceptance of biking as an activity for all people
- The COVID-19 epidemic has presented new challenges and the outreach team has refined the strategy:
  - Phase 1 Create a digital outreach approach
  - Phase 2 In person engagement once restrictions are lifted







# **Public Outreach & Engagement**

#### Phase 1 – Digital Grassroots Outreach Campaign (June to August 2020)

- Bicyclist Testimonial Campaign
  - Engage bikers on social media to share their biking stories (why, where and how they bike)
  - Three-pronged approach for obtaining submissions:
    - Calls for submissions on social media using BC-DOT account and #BikeBaltimore hashtag
    - Contact bike influencers and organizations to solicit stories
    - Post signs along local walking/biking routes to request participation (reaches those not following on social)
  - Create a profile of the diverse Baltimore Biking Community
    - Choose the best submissions of biking stories to enhance and share in the future on BC-DOT website
- Prepare Digital Materials
  - Create and share web-friendly infographics
    - Bike safety
    - Bike prioritization process







# **Public Outreach & Engagement**

### Phase 2 - Leverage Support and Engage Residents (September to December)

- #BikeBaltimore Challenge (6 8 weeks)
  - Encourage self-guided bike rides through Baltimore
  - Solicit photos from cyclists of their favorite places to bike in the City
  - Prepare digit and physical wayfinding educational signs along well used routes
- Bike Panel Webinar Series (4 6 weeks)
  - Host a series of bike webinars featuring local bike advocates, MBAC members, bike businessowners, etc. as panelists





## **NEXT STEPS**

- Rapid Implementation Projects
- Prioritization Process
  - Step 4: Project Facility Type
    - Conduct workshop
  - Step 5: High Level Cost Estimates
  - Step 6: Identify Projects
    - Short, medium, and long term
- Community Engagement
  - COVID-19 responsive approach









## **Updates: DOT THIS MONTH**

Task	Partners	Notes
Eutaw Place Concept Development	Study led by McCormick Taylor	Kicked off; substantive work to begin soon
Wolfe/Washington Existing Conditions Analysis	Study led by RKK	Kicked off; substantive work to begin soon
Bush Street Concept Development Bush Street Survey	Study led by Toole Design Group	Work underway
Melrose Avenue HAWK vs. RRFB decision process	DOT Internal	HAWK more desired by community but significantly more expensive than the RRFB called for in design
Bikeways/Tap Project Identification	Bike Program Delivery Consultant Team, MBAC, advocates, Planning	Applications due June 5 <sup>th</sup> . Two proposals 1) Arlington 2) Bike Counter Program
Big Jump Assessment Data	Study led by Toole Design Group	Ongoing; using RITIS probe data
Collection/Analysis Big Jump Assessment Survey Deployment		Survey to be distributed online and via paper copies; advertised via door hangers
REP Existing Bike Facility Audit	Sabra and Associates will conduct the facility audit	Kickoff occurred, data collection to begin soon
MLK Sidepath	MDOT and McCormick Taylor	Promised final 30% design presentation to community groups





Safe Streets Pilot Program







## Why These Efforts?

- The City of Baltimore as a whole is responding to the COVID-19 crisis.
- All departments and agencies have a role in helping to meet people's needs and communicating best practices.
- Many residents are asking for ways to exercise during this time of social distancing.
- DOT, BCRP, and DPW are important stewards of public space.
  - Safe and appropriate use of public space is essential to reducing the spread of COVID-19.
- The City's goals in these safe streets treatments:
  - Provide adequate space for social distancing to limit exposure to COVID-19 while allowing for healthy exercise.





## Social Distancing in Parks

- Park visitors are not always leaving physical distance
- This can be improved both through communication and providing more space
- Previous treatments at Lake Montebello and Druid Hill Park
- Newest installation on Linwood Street at Patterson Park
- City Council Bill passed 25 miles required city wide



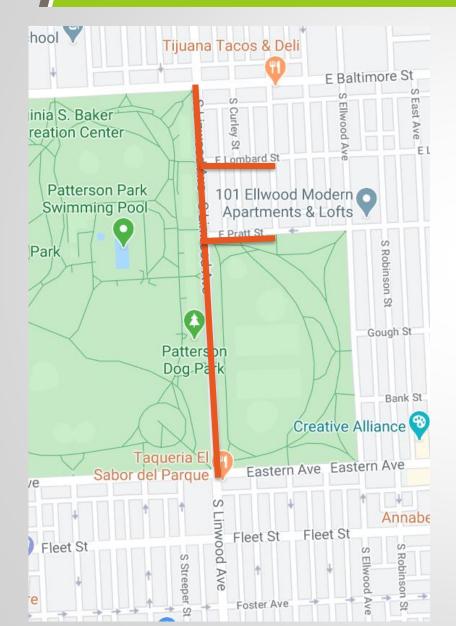








### Slow Streets: Patterson Park



- DOT has implemented a slow streets pilot in Patterson Park on South Linwood Avenue:
  - All residents and park users will have access to the park, but cut through traffic will be greatly diminished.
  - Boundaries are from East Baltimore Street to Eastern Avenue. On Lombard and Pratt to Ellwood.
- These are not road closures
- Parking is not reduced
- Vehicles still have SLOW access to the roadway







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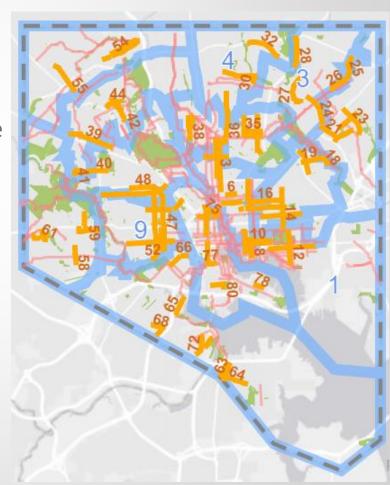


## **Slow Streets**

### **Slow Streets Legislation**

- City Council Bill passed 25 miles required city wide
- Minimum of one mile per district
- Two weeks to implement once signed
- Simple & efficient barrier production & signage
- DOT and resident recommendations
- Councilmember coordination + Outreach









### **Updates: RecNParks**

### **Updates**:

BCRP and DOT coordination – No Update





### **MBAC Awards – Nominations & Awards**

Use Bike to Work Day postponement to recruit nominations





THE OBJECTIVE of the mayoral awards is to encourage and acknowledge the efforts and contributions to the Baltimore City Community through biking made by (1) ORGANIZATIONS, (2) BUSINESS, (3) INDIVIDUALS & VOLUNTEERS, and (4) YOUTH.



The four awards will be presented by Mayor Young in the categories listed above. The four award winners will be acknowledged by Mayor Young at Bike to Work Day Event that will be held on May 15th. The awardees will also have the opportunity to eat lunch with Mayor Young.





## **Event Promotion**

## Bike Shop Updates – Operational Changes

- Baltimore Bicycle Works
- BYKE Rec N Parks events

### **City Events**

- Rec N Parks events
- MBAC Awards date (Bike to Work Day postponed until September)

### **Community Events**

- Maintenance and Mingle Thursday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 7:00 pm.
- Bikemore Solo Rides Challenge
- Civic Works Bicycle Food Delivery

## Any Recurring Rides - Solo or same household!



### **Community Updates**

## **Open to any other community announcements:**







## Next meeting date is May 27th, 4-6pm

